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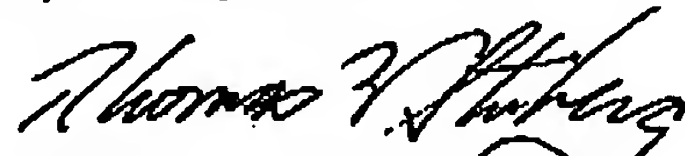
In response to the restriction requirement issued by the Examiner on 27 June 2005, Applicants submit the following election.

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The examiner has restricted the claims between a product (Group 1, claims 1-14) and the process for making the product (Group II, claims 15-26). Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, directed to the tufted carpet product, with traverse, and reserve the right to request rejoinder of the withdrawn process claims in the event the product claims are deemed allowable during prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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